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Timely Tidbits ...

Roscoe, Mientkiewicz Reelected to Board

On May 2, incumbents Celeste Roscoe and Kenneth Mientkiewicz were re-elected to the Romulus Community Schools Board of Education for four-year terms. According to unofficial totals released by the Romulus City Clerk's office Tuesday night, Roscoe garnered the most votes (463), with Mientkiewicz close behind (427). Challengers Danielle Funderburg and Eugene Robinson received 282 and 277 votes, respectively.

A dismal total of just 768 votes cast – a drop of more than 200 compared to last year's school election – was predominantly due to the fact that absentee voting was down more than 50% compared to recent years. A Wayne County Circuit Court ruling issued after last year's voting controversy in Detroit prevented Romulus City Clerk Linda Choate from automatically mailing ballot applications to the people on her "standing" absentee voters list, and many of those voters failed to call her office to request one.

Citywide Yard Sale

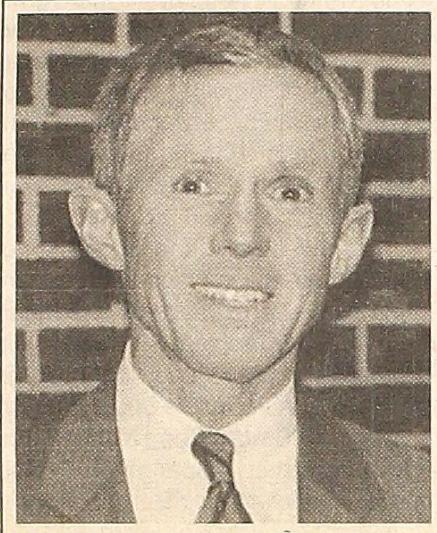
The annual Romulus Citywide Yard Sale is set for May 18–21. For more information, see the "Spring Cleaning" story elsewhere on this page and the list of participating households on page 6.

Golfers, Sponsors Sought for Benefit

A golf outing to raise funds for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan – including two Romulus sites at Merriman and Wick elementaries – will be held on Thursday, May 18, at the Gateway Golf Club in Romulus. Golfers and sponsors are being sought for the event, which will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Lunch at the turn and dinner afterward are included in the registration cost.

For more information, contact Jill Covell at 941-5839. □

Weiss Selected as New Superintendent of Romulus Community Schools



The Romulus Board of Education has selected Carl J. Weiss as the new superintendent of the Romulus Community Schools, and will assume his duties on July 1, according to district spokesperson Dick Kruse.

"Superintendent Weiss comes to the Romulus school district with a very impressive educational background," said Kruse. "He has earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Michigan and a Master of Arts in Educational Administration from Oakland University, and has also done post-graduate work in educational administration (Madonna University), assessment training (Lewis and Clark Institute, Oregon), and superintendent preparation (Michigan Leadership Institute Superintendent Academy, Central Michigan University)."

Weiss's professional career includes 19 years as a teacher in the Lapeer Public Schools, 4 years as Lapeer's supervisor/director of instruction, and 5 years as the assistant superintendent/deputy superintendent for Dearborn Heights School District #7. He is a member of 7 professional organizations that specialize in negotiations, personnel, management, curriculum, and professional development.

"During his distinguished career as a teacher, Weiss taught mathematics, biology, physical science, and physics," said Kruse. "He also coached the tennis, volleyball, and track teams; served as a sponsor for several school organizations; and was the district's NCA Target Committee chair.

"Weiss has provided outstanding instructional leadership in both the Lapeer and Dearborn Heights #7 districts," Kruse continued. "All six of his Dearborn Heights schools met their 'Adequate Yearly Progress' goals under the federal government's 'No Child Left Behind' program, and five of the six received grades of 'A' or 'B' on Michigan's 'Education YES!' assessment last year. His leadership additionally helped the district meet the 'Highly Qualified' designation required for all staff members."

Kruse noted that Weiss is held in high esteem by his colleagues in the Wayne County Negotiators and Personnel Administrators Association.

"He has successfully negotiated recent contracts with Dearborn Heights #7 labor unions, and has developed and implemented his own administrative programs that include a differentiated, three-tiered teacher evaluation system and an extensive teacher/administrator hiring system," he said.

Weiss contributed to a technology plan that updated infrastructure, hardware, and software programs for Dearborn Heights #7, and has been a member of the Building and Site Committee for the district, which recently added classrooms to its high school, and renovated the media center and kitchen/cafeteria areas. He has also established a Professional Development Partner-

ship for teachers in conjunction with the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency and the University of Michigan–Dearborn.

"Dearborn Heights District #7 colleagues praised Weiss for his work ethic, work performance, and accomplishments, as well as the amount of extra time he volunteered to work on school district projects and attend school programs," Kruse concluded.

Weiss said he is looking forward to working with Romulus citizens and members of the education community.

"I believe we can all work together to continue to provide the very best educational opportunities possible for Romulus children," he said.

Weiss believes that, to work effectively with people, it is important to get to know them first.

"I try to find things I have in common with people, get acquainted with them, and then move on to the business at hand," he explained. "As superintendent, I will work hard to establish trust with Board of Education members, take responsibility for my actions, and, above all, be honest with people."

Weiss and his wife Lisa have two children: daughter Shauna, 15, and son Tyler, 13. Lisa, currently a stay-at-home mother, previously worked as a management consultant for the accounting firm of Plante & Moran. □

Programs Inspire Residents To Start Their Spring Cleaning

Just in time for spring cleaning, the City of Romulus has announced dates for three annual programs designed to help our community look its best.

Clean Sweep Day

Clean Sweep Day, a project spearheaded by Romulus City Councilman LeRoy Burcroff, has been set for Saturday, May 13.

"Clean Sweep was a big success last year," said Burcroff. "Many individuals and community groups donated time to pick up trash throughout town."

Citizens who want to do their part on Clean Sweep Day may choose to work on their own, in a neighborhood of their choice, or they can report to City Hall

(11111 South Wayne Road) beginning at 9 a.m. to receive an "assignment" and, if needed, some equipment.

"The City's ordinance people have been keeping an eye out for heavily littered areas in need of cleanup," Burcroff said. "They have also assembled materials such as trash bags, 'pokers,' and gloves for volunteers' use."

Burcroff advises volunteers to take the utmost care when gathering trash and bagging it for curb-side disposal.

"Avoid dangerous debris like broken glass," he said. "Just push it to the curb or some other out-of-the-way area rather than try to pick it up."

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Basham To Seek Re-election

State Senator Raymond E. Basham (D-Taylor), who sees himself as one of the Legislature's leading fighters for working families, has announced that he intends to seek re-election this fall.

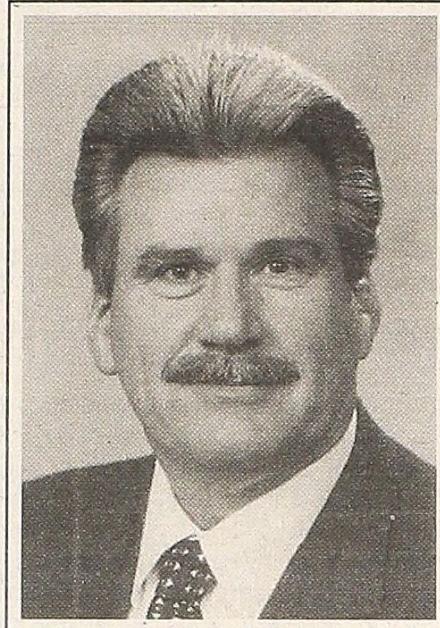
"I'm proud of our recent victories on behalf of Michigan's working families," said Basham. "An increased minimum wage, increased funding for public education, and new curbs on the sale of violent video games to minors can all be traced back to efforts by Senate Democrats to build stronger families and better communities."

"But the fight continues because the people's work is not done," he added.

Basham — who has developed a reputation, in some circles, as a strong and outspoken advocate for the working class — was the lead author of legislation that increases the minimum wage to \$6.95 per hour by the end of the year, and to \$7.40 per hour by July of 2008. Basham has also authored legislation that would discourage the outsourcing of Michigan manufacturing jobs, and that extends unemployment benefits to workers whose benefits have been exhausted.

Basham also gained notice for his "deadbeat boss" legislation that would require the state's most profitable corporations either to provide their employees with affordable health insurance or reimburse taxpayers for Medicaid-related costs. He is further identified with his legislation that would ban smoking in public restaurants.

"I intend to run a very vigorous campaign for re-election," Basham



Senator Raymond E. Basham

promised. "We need to deal honestly with the manufacturing job loss in this state, and also restore fiscal responsibility to the Michigan legislature.

"That will not happen without a Democratic legislature," he added.

As the senator for Michigan's 8th District, Basham represents the communities of Allen Park, Ecorse, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, Riverview, Romulus, Southgate, Taylor, Wayne, and Wyandotte. He was first elected to the Senate in 2002, after serving five years in the Michigan House of Representatives.

He is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, a former auxiliary police officer, and a UAW-Ford retiree. □

Credit Union Breaks Ground for HQ



Public Service Credit Union broke ground for its new headquarters building — to be located on Merriman north of Smith Road — on April 26. Among those who took part in the ceremony were (from left) Romulus City Councilmen John Barden and William Crova, Mayor Alan R. Lambert, PSCU president/CEO Dean Trudeau, and Councilman Harry Crout.

Letter to the Editor

Bowl-A-Rama Supporters Thanked

Dear supporters:

On Saturday, April 29, the Friends of the New Romulus Animal Shelter held a Bowl-A-Rama benefit at Romulus Lanes. Winners were Barbara Snyder and Gerilyn Kline (doubles), Ronald JaFolla (men's singles), and Toni Wadsworth (women's singles). All had a great time. Approximately \$1,500 was raised.

I would like to thank Michael Beaujardie, owner of Romulus Lanes; Joe Ozog and Frank Ayers, who helped run the events; Mayor Alan R. Lambert, who paid for the pizza; and Romulus Market Place, which donated all the pop.

Thanks, also, to the following individuals and businesses for donating items to be given away as prizes: Stears True Value Hardware, Romulus City Councilman Bill Crova, John Rogin GMC, B & L Automotive Supply, Dave's & Company Barber Shop & Hair Salon, Family Hair Shop, Captain Nemo's Submarine Sandwiches, Burger King of Romulus, Romulus Hardware, and Blue Sky Ice Cream & Hamburgers.

A second Bowl-A-Rama is being planned for October.

Finally, an update on donations to the Animal Shelter fund shows that we are approaching \$80,000 in cash and approximately \$20,000 in time and materials pledged by local businesses.

In closing, I say to the public: If you haven't already donated to this great cause, now is the time to give your tax-deductible donations. For more information, call me at 734-941-0616.

Thank you,
Councilman Bill Wadsworth
City of Romulus
P.S.: Adopt a pet.

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The Police Blotter

Thanks to Sergeant Bryan Cozzaglio for submitting the following summary of the Romulus Police Department's significant activity from Friday, April 14, through Friday, April 28. (Note: Information is presented in the following format: date, time, type of call, and general location.)

Friday, April 14

- 2:42 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 8500 Wickham)
- 2:54 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 15600 Sandburg)
- 3:19 a.m. – Loud Music (block of 9450 Chamberlain)
- 10:28 a.m. – Family Trouble (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 11:47 a.m. – Breaking & Entering (B&E) (block of 6270 Inverness)
- 1:31 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 28800 Highland)
- 2:43 p.m. – Missing Person (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 2:55 p.m. – Property Damage/ Malicious Destruction of Property (PD/MDOP) (block of 14400 Cogswell)
- 2:56 p.m. – Bad Checks (block of 30600 Eureka)
- 3:36 p.m. – Bad Checks (block of 30600 Eureka)
- 4:09 p.m. – Off-road Vehicle (ORV) Complaint (block of 28700 Ecorse)
- 4:44 p.m. – Larceny (block of 29500 Charles)
- 8:44 p.m. – Minors In Possession (block of 30100 Eureka)
- 8:46 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 12100 Craig)
- 8:54 p.m. – Harassment Complaint (block of 7210 Merriman)
- 8:58 p.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 5830 Metro)
- 11:17 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 35000 Michele)
- 11:34 p.m. – Juvenile Complaint/ Runaway (JC/R) (block of 16500 Jessica Ln.)
- 11:47 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 8500 Wickham)

Saturday, April 15

- 12:03 a.m. – Operating Under the Influence of Liquor (OUIL) (block of 35000 Lynn)
- 12:08 a.m. – Training/School (RPD headquarters)
- 12:16 a.m. – OUIL (block of 31200 Ecorse)
- 1:17 a.m. – Family Trouble (block of 31700 Beverly)
- 1:48 a.m. – Loud Music (block of 35400 Garner)
- 2:42 a.m. – Medical Assistance (block of 31400 Ecorse)

- 3:11 a.m. – Fireworks (block of 36800 Goddard)
- 3:20 a.m. – Family Trouble (block of 6000 W. Maple)
- 9:37 a.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 5870 Crystal Lake Dr.)
- 10:27 a.m. – Assault & Battery (A&B) (block of 5880 Metro)
- 11:36 a.m. – Threats (block of 5890 Airborne)
- 1:01 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 8280 Wayne)
- 1:32 p.m. – Robbery Alarm (block of 9960 Wayne)
- 2:13 p.m. – Criminal Sexual Conduct (CSC) (block of 16500 Jessica Ln.)
- 4:04 p.m. – Man with a Weapon (block of 7040 Shawnee)
- 4:27 p.m. – Harassment Complaint (block of 5890 Georgia)
- 4:53 p.m. – Felonious Assault (block of 29200 Whisper Ct.)
- 6:07 p.m. – ORV Complaint (block of 7940 Surrey Dr.)
- 6:41 p.m. – Mental Incapacitation (block of 11000 Grover)
- 6:57 p.m. – JC/R (block of 28300 Riverbridge)
- 9:02 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 30600 Pennsylvania)
- 9:47 p.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 35900 Cypress)

Sunday, April 16

- 1:15 a.m. – OUIL (block of 27400 Ecorse)
- 1:23 a.m. – Loud Music (block of 29600 Charles)
- 6:49 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 30500 Dru)
- 8:17 a.m. – Larceny (block of 34600 Lynn)
- 8:50 a.m. – Larceny (block of 27600 Ellward)
- 10:21 a.m. – Larceny (block of 9130 Hannan)
- 10:32 a.m. – Neighbor Trouble (block of 14600 New York)
- 2:22 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 16400 Brandt)
- 7:00 p.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 28300 Riverbridge)
- 9:45 p.m. – B&E (block of 37500 Van Petten)
- 11:54 p.m. – JC/R (block of 34200 Pine Wood Cir.)

Monday, April 17

- 3:00 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 30500 Redwood)
- 8:06 a.m. – Family Trouble (block of 6880 Niagara)
- 8:41 a.m. – Larceny (block of 7160 Cambridge Ct.)

- 9:09 a.m. – Abandoned Vehicle (block of 15000 Meadow)
- 10:03 a.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 15100 Meadow)
- 11:16 a.m. – Larceny (block of 6670 Metroplex)
- 12:12 p.m. – B&E (block of 9780 Lisa)
- 1:46 p.m. – Larceny (block of 31500 Wick)
- 1:52 p.m. – Larceny (block of 30600 Cypress)
- 1:58 p.m. – Unlawful Driving Away of an Automobile (UDAA) (block of 32000 Bruce)
- 5:04 p.m. – Missing Person (block of 11200 Wahrman)
- 5:49 p.m. – Fraud Complaint (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 6:28 p.m. – Training/School (RPD headquarters)
- 6:40 p.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 16300 Ironstone)
- 8:22 p.m. – Training/School (RPD headquarters)
- 8:52 p.m. – JC/R (block of 6150 Fourth)
- 10:01 p.m. – Threats (block of 9460 Biddle)
- 10:15 p.m. – B&E (block of 8500 Wickham)
- 10:46 p.m. – Robbery Alarm (block of 11700 Metro Airport Center Dr.)

Tuesday, April 18

- 4:13 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 8230 Merriman)
- 6:45 a.m. – Larceny (block of 8000 Merriman)
- 7:08 a.m. – Abandoned Vehicle (block of 16200 Harrison)
- 7:12 a.m. – Larceny (block of 38400 Huron River Dr.)
- 8:39 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 31800 Smith)
- 11:10 a.m. – JC/R (block of 6500 Merriman)
- 12:07 p.m. – Death Investigation (block of 37600 Barth)
- 1:41 p.m. – JC/R (block of 8210 Merriman)
- 3:42 p.m. – Harassment Complaint (block of 34600 Lynn)
- 4:01 p.m. – Training/School (RPD headquarters)
- 4:03 p.m. – JC/R (block of 34600 Julie)
- 4:08 p.m. – Threats (block of 11100 Wayne)
- 4:38 p.m. – Bad Checks (block of 6430 Washington)
- 4:41 p.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 38100 Walnut)
- 4:59 p.m. – Fraud Complaint (block of 31200 Ecorse)

- 5:10 p.m. – Fraud Complaint (block of 31200 Ecorse)
- 5:20 p.m. – B&E (block of 27800 Ecorse)
- 6:27 p.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 32100 Bruce)
- 7:04 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 37600 Wabash)
- 7:14 p.m. – Medical Assistance (block of 27700 Eureka)
- 7:54 p.m. – Family Trouble (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 8:58 p.m. – JC/R (block of 35200 Michele)
- 9:55 p.m. – JC/R (block of 29000 River Oak)
- 10:02 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 15000 Hillway)
- 10:50 p.m. – Harassment Complaint (block of 15400 Orchard)

Wednesday, April 19

- 1:06 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 16100 Oak Tree)
- 4:20 a.m. – Larceny (block of 9000 Wickham)
- 8:30 a.m. – Health & Safety (block of 35600 Margaret)
- 10:30 a.m. – Harassment Complaint (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 10:52 a.m. – B&E (block of 15000 Mountain Way)
- 3:20 p.m. – A&B (block of 11300 St. Aloysius)
- 6:57 p.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 32100 Bruce)
- 8:06 p.m. – Training/School (RPD headquarters)
- 9:25 p.m. – JC/R (block of 7120 Farnum)

Thursday, April 20

- 7:22 a.m. – Larceny (block of 6530 Middlebelt)

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- 8:38 a.m. – Larceny
(block of 7200 Cambridge Dr.)
- 11:34 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 37100 Wick)
- 11:45 a.m. – Larceny
(block of 27700 Pennsylvania)
- 4:17 p.m. – Larceny
(reported at RPD headquarters)
- 4:24 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 36500 Bibbins)
- 6:30 p.m. – Loud Music
(block of 15100 Mountain Way)
- 11:09 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 16100 Meadow)
- 11:40 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 34200 Pine Wood Cir.)
- 11:48 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 16100 Ironstone)

Friday, April 21

- 12:39 a.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 9790 Lisa)
- 2:26 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 15700 Harrison)
- 3:08 a.m. – Robbery
(block of 35400 Goddard)
- 11:55 a.m. – Heath & Safety
(block of 9530 Washington)
- 1:10 p.m. – ORV Complaint
(block of 30300 Kipling)
- 1:35 p.m. – Larceny
(block of 8400 Wayne)
- 3:16 p.m. JC/R
(block of 38600 Cherokee)
- 3:26 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 6700 Middlebelt)
- 4:02 p.m. – B&E
(block of 28600 Van Born)
- 4:13 p.m. – B&E
(block of 8000 Merriman)
- 11:44 p.m. – Loud Music
(block of 8230 Merriman)

Saturday, April 22

- 12:14 a.m. – Loud Music
(block of 8500 Wickham)
- 1:40 a.m. – Trespassing
(block of 6380 Cogswell)
- 2:24 a.m. – JC/R
(block of 15900 Colbert)
- 3:19 a.m. – Fight
(block of 8500 Wickham)
- 7:48 a.m. – Abandoned Vehicle
(block of 7570 Merriman)
- 9:42 a.m. – UDA
(block of 11000 Whitehorn)
- 10:14 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 29500 Eureka)
- 10:46 a.m. – Larceny
(block of 5890 Wayne)
- 11:45 a.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 35500 Garner)
- 12:00 p.m. – Child Abuse/Neglect
(block of 11400 Hunt)
- 12:12 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 8760 Grover)
- 1:27 p.m. – Larceny
(block of 29500 Charles)
- 2:04 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 11200 Wahrman)
- 3:13 p.m. – Missing Person
(block of 6380 Cogswell)

- 4:36 p.m. – UDA
(block of 15000 Knoll Way)
- 5:29 p.m. – Neighbor Trouble
(block of 32300 Gateway Dr.)
- 6:13 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 30100 Cherry)
- 7:07 p.m. – Dumping/Littering
(block of 28000 Goddard)
- 7:52 p.m. – Family Trouble
(block of 30600 Flynn Dr.)
- 9:05 p.m. – Fight
(block of 7070 Middlebelt)
- 10:42 p.m. – Disturbance
(block of 7070 Niagara)

Sunday, April 23

- 12:16 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 6120 Second)
- 1:33 a.m. – Family Trouble
(block of 39000 Ecorse)
- 6:01 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 30000 Spain)
- 7:04 a.m. – B&E
(block of 30800 Smith)
- 9:38 a.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 35500 Smith)
- 9:42 a.m. – Missing Person
(reported at RPD headquarters)
- 9:59 a.m. – Missing Person
(block of 11000 Grover)
- 11:15 a.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 16100 Meadow)
- 11:34 a.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 6510 Gloria)
- 12:09 P.M. – A&B
(block of 35600 Smith)
- 1:19 p.m. – Family Trouble
(reported at RPD headquarters)
- 1:32 p.m. – Abandoned Vehicle
(block of 15200 Merriman)
- 1:55 p.m. – Fraud Complaint
(block of 6970 Niagara)
- 5:13 p.m. – Training/School
(RPD headquarters)
- 8:16 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 6110 Loraine)
- 8:46 p.m. – Medical Assistance
(block of 28500 S. Maple)

Monday, April 24

- 10:18 a.m. – Fraud Complaint
(block of 9450 Terry)
- 11:13 a.m. – Larceny
(block of 28800 Highland)
- 11:20 a.m. – UDA
(block of 28700 Wick)
- 11:35 a.m. – Trespassing
(block of 36500 Goddard)
- 2:21 p.m. – Harassment Complaint
(block of 15000 Middlebelt)
- 3:22 p.m. – Family Trouble
(block of 6110 Second)
- 6:09 p.m. – B&E
(block of 15100 Meadow)
- 6:34 p.m. – B&E
(block of 7020 Niagara)
- 8:24 p.m. – Threats
(block of 38600 Superior)
- 9:34 p.m. – Disturbance
(block of 30600 Redwood)
- 10:02 p.m. – Robbery Alarm
(block of 11700 Metro Airport Center Dr.)

- 10:12 p.m. – Disturbance
(block of 15600 Isabelle)

Tuesday, April 25

- 1:09 a.m. – Loud Music
(block of 27500 Goddard)
- 1:31 a.m. – Larceny
(block of 8450 Merriman)
- 1:53 a.m. – Medical Assistance
(block of 16300 Harrison)
- 3:08 a.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 8450 Merriman)
- 3:22 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 8230 Merriman)
- 5:50 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 8230 Merriman)
- 8:32 a.m. – Disturbance
(block of 9600 Middlebelt)
- 8:52 a.m. – Health & Safety
(block of 10000 Diane)
- 8:52 a.m. – B&E
(block of 28000 Van Born)
- 9:52 a.m. – Larceny
(block of 6720 Metroplex)
- 12:34 p.m. – Recovered UDA
(block of 8000 Merriman)
- 3:24 p.m. – OUIL
(block of 29400 Eureka)
- 6:10 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 32200 Beverly)
- 6:46 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 15300 Merriman)
- 11:56 p.m. – Loud Music
(block of 27500 Goddard)

Wednesday, April 26

- 1:11 a.m. – OUIL
(block of 15000 Brandt)
- 2:29 a.m. – OUIL
(block of 9200 Middlebelt)
- 10:48 a.m. – Death Investigation
(block of 37000 Jones)
- 1:54 p.m. – Recovered UDA
(block of 28700 Wick)
- 1:55 p.m. – Rescue
(block of 8910 Middlebelt)
- 2:23 p.m. – Training/School
(RPD headquarters)
- 3:44 p.m. – Larceny
(block of 28200 Northline)
- 7:30 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 6680 Gloria)
- 8:19 p.m. – Threats
(reported at RPD headquarters)
- 8:56 p.m. – Family Trouble
(block of 10100 Diane)
- 9:37 p.m. – Harassment Complaint
(block of 6930 Laramie)

Thursday, April 27

- 8:45 a.m. – Abandoned Vehicle
(block of 34800 Lynn)
- 8:56 a.m. – Abandoned Vehicle
(block of 7100 Cogswell)
- 2:57 p.m. – Fraud Complaint
(reported at RPD headquarters)
- 3:47 p.m. – Fraud Complaint
(block of 8400 Wayne)
- 5:00 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 9800 Inkster)
- 5:52 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 35000 Lynn)
- 6:12 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 5940 Panam)

- 7:40 p.m. – Family Trouble
(block of 16200 Eastwind)

- 10:35 p.m. – JC/R
(block of 28400 Eureka)
- 10:44 p.m. – A&B
(block of 36500 Ecorse)

Friday, April 28

- 10:03 a.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 28000 Bayberry)
- 11:51 a.m. – Family Trouble
(block of 35600 Smith)
- 12:20 p.m. – Family Trouble
(block of 11500 Whitehorn)
- 2:01 p.m. – UDA
(block of 28800 Goddard)
- 2:12 p.m. – Disturbance
(block of 5800 Middlebelt)
- 2:41 p.m. – Threats
(reported at RPD headquarters)
- 2:59 p.m. – B&E
(block of 15700 Merriman)
- 3:31 p.m. – Threats
(block of 37300 Wick)
- 5:01 p.m. – Larceny
(block of 8960 Inkster)
- 5:12 p.m. – PD/MDOP
(block of 36800 Ecorse)
- 5:59 p.m. – Missing Person
(block of 6380 Cogswell)
- 7:14 p.m. – Disturbance
(block of 15900 Colbert)
- 8:29 p.m. – Trespassing
(block of 15900 Colbert)
- 8:39 p.m. – JC/R
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Romulus Community High School Named Michigan Alternative Education Organization's "School of the Year" for 2005/2006



David Groenenboom (right), Michigan Alternative Education Organization Board member and chairman of the School of the Year Committee, presented Romulus Community High School principal Al Wilkerson (center) with the MAEO's 2006 School of the Year Award. Also on hand to congratulate Wilkerson was Romulus Community Schools superintendent Joel R. Carr.



Among the dignitaries who attended the recent MAEO award program in Bay City were (from left) Bill Musham (director, Adult & Community Education Department, Romulus Community Schools), Tom Kuderik (trustee, Romulus Board of Education), Wilkerson, Tom Dolan (Curriculum Department director, Romulus Community Schools), Carr, and Ken Mientkiewicz (secretary, Romulus Board of Education).

Congratulations to Romulus Community High School, which was recently selected as the 2005/2006 "School of the Year" by the Michigan Alternative Education Organization. Principal Al Wilkerson, who accepted the award on

behalf of the school, received a standing ovation from more than 200 MAEO members who attended the group's state conference in Bay City.

Wilkerson introduced his outstanding staff, and then used a colorful slide program to illustrate many of the unique educational programs offered at RCHS.

"Wilkerson made a very effective presentation," said district spokesperson Dick Kruse. "He encouraged his fellow alternative educators to try even harder to come up with ways that will help students succeed."

According to Kruse, Romulus Community High School is staffed by state-certified, highly qualified teachers.

"Their dedication to teaching and learning has enabled the school to utilize creative alternative teaching strategies that have significantly raised retention and graduation rates," he noted. "Over 85% of graduating seniors continue with post-secondary education programs."

Joel R. Carr, superintendent of Rom-

ulus Community Schools, said he is "very proud of Community High's innovative programs that give students a second, third, and even fourth chance" to discover successful tracks to graduation.

"The school's quarterly enrollment system is user-friendly, and allows students to adjust to temporary difficulties that they may experience," he said.

Carr also praised Community High's dual-enrollment classes, co-sponsored with Wayne County Community College.

"They provide an opportunity for students to earn college credits and become familiar with post-secondary educational careers," he explained.

WCCC president Richard Galant stated, "More than 200 Romulus Community High School students have enrolled in our dual-enrollment programs, and those students have achieved a 90%+ course-completion rate. This statistic is noteworthy because most of the students in the program have, in the past, not demonstrated a high level of motivation or interest in academic achievement."

"I congratulate Community High for winning the MAEO School of the Year Award, and for benefiting so many area students," he concluded.

Romulus Community High School has also been honored with the North Central Association's prestigious "Accredited Special-Purpose School" designation, and has earned additional awards that include an Educational Excellence Award from the Michigan Association of School Boards, an Innovative Educational Program Component Award from the MAEO, and a 2005 "finalist" designation for the MAEO's School of the Year Award.

RCHS has further established a partnership with Eastern Michigan University, serving as an intern placement center for students specializing in working with at-risk individuals.

Wilkerson is especially excited about the new Ford Partnership for Advanced Studies that RCHS began offering last fall.

"This program, which is coordinated with the University of Michigan-Dearborn, gives our students some exceptional learning opportunities that could lead to good paying jobs with Ford, and will definitely give them something to look forward to," he said.

Wilkerson was also proud to point out his students' participation in charitable community events such as food drives, Toys for Tots drives, Hot Shots programs for the American Heart Association, and bottle and hat drives for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

He is looking forward to presenting Community High for National At-Risk Education Network (NAREN) accreditation consideration next year.

Yet another point of pride for Wilkerson is the outstanding success enjoyed by his school's athletics and other competitive teams. In recent years, the RCHS Lions have won Michigan Alternative Athletics Association championships in flag football (one), basketball (three), and chess (two), and have also recorded six runner-up finishes among those same programs.

"Student participation in our various athletics programs is outstanding," Wilkerson explained, "and helps provide a strong incentive for the students to stay in school and be successful in the classroom." □

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Spring Programs Inspire Residents

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Burcroff said he hopes that this year's turnout will be even better than last year's.

"Taking part in Clean Sweep Day is a great way to show your pride in Romulus," he explained. "It's an opportunity to assume a caring, responsible role in your neighborhood."

Burcroff also urges Clean Sweep participants to energize themselves for the day by stopping in at the Community United Methodist Church (located at the northwest corner of Olive & Bibbins) between 7 and 10 a.m. for a delicious pancake breakfast. Donations, which will benefit CUMC, are welcome.

To find out more about Clean Sweep, contact the office of Mayor Alan R. Lambert: 734-942-7571.

Free Dumping

Spring cleaning has a way of turning up a big bunch of unwanted trash – more, in fact, than can be readily disposed of at the curb in front of your home. To help you get rid of the mess without ridding yourself of your hard-earned money in the process, the City is sponsoring free dumping *for Romulus residents only* (proof of residency required) on Saturday, May 13, and again during the week of Monday, May 15, through Saturday, May 20. Permitted items (see below for some restrictions)

may be dumped at the Department of Public Works (12600 Wayne Road between Eureka and Goddard) between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays, and 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Saturdays.

Note that each household may dump:

- no more than three "bulky" items, such as furniture or *freon-free* appliances (removal certification sticker required).
- no more than one pickup-truckload of construction debris.
- no more than two loads per day.
- no more than 4 tires (which must be kept separate from other debris).
- only nonhazardous materials.

For a comprehensive list of dumping rules, including items that will not be accepted, pick up a flyer at City Hall or the DPW.

Citywide Yard Sale

But what do you do with all those "treasures" that you couldn't bear to throw away, despite the fact that your closets and shelves are crammed full? Sell them during the annual Citywide Yard Sale Weekend, set for May 18–21, and cram your wallet with cash, instead.

To register for a free one-, two-, three-, or four-day sale permit, stop in at the Recreation Department's new administrative office (11189 Shook). For more information, call 734-941-8665. □

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Numbers in parentheses refer to sale dates:

1=Thur., May 18; 2=Fri., May 19; 3=Sat., May 20; 4=Sun., May 21

Downtown Romulus Area

(Wick Rd. to Northline Rd.)

Wayne Rd. to Ozga Rd.)

35861 Bibbins (1, 2, 3)

36115 Bibbins (1, 2, 3)

11359 Delano (2, 3, 4)

11321 Gabriel (1, 2, 3, 4)

37300 Goddard (1, 2, 3)

36925 Grant (1, 2, 3)

11435 Grover (3, 4)

36886 Porter (1, 2, 3)

37065 Porter (2, 3, 4)

11296 Wahrman (1, 2, 3, 4)

12080 Wayne (1, 2, 3, 4)

11440 Whitehorn (1, 2, 3, 4)

Ecorse Rd. to I-94/

Wayne Rd. to Hannan Rd.

9120 Cogswell (1, 2, 3, 4)

36745 Herman (1, 2, 3, 4)

10068 Miriam (1, 2, 3, 4)

10036 Sterling (1, 2, 3)

10214 Sterling (1, 2, 3, 4)

9510 Tobine (1, 2, 3)

38500 Tyler (1, 2, 3, 4)

8838 Whitehorn (1, 2, 3)

36739 Wick (4)

37815 Wick (1, 2, 3, 4)

38271 Wick (1, 2, 3, 4)

Huron Estates Subdivision

(Wabash St. to Barth St./

S. Huron River Dr. to Hannan Rd.)

37613 Castle Dr. (1, 2, 3)

38235 Castle Dr. (1, 2, 3, 4)

37538 Walnut (1, 2, 3, 4)

37815 Walnut (1, 2, 3, 4)

38131 Walnut (2, 3, 4)

37811 Westvale (1, 2, 3)

38611 Westvale (3, 4)

**W. Huron River Dr. to
Pennsylvania Rd./**

Wayne Rd. to Hannan Rd.

37440 Barth (1, 2, 3, 4)

37710 Barth (1, 2, 3, 4)

13295 Cogswell (1, 2, 3)

38480 W. Huron River Dr. (1, 2, 3)

39213 W. Huron River Dr. (1, 2, 3, 4)

37000 Pennsylvania (1, 2, 3, 4)

38512 Wade (1, 2, 3, 4)

38636 Wade (1, 2, 3, 4)

Halecreek Elementary Area

(Eureka Rd. to Pennsylvania Rd./

Inkster Rd. to Middlebelt Rd.)

28528 Greenview (1, 2, 3, 4)

15428 Harriet (1, 2, 3, 4)

15666 Harriet (1, 2, 3, 4)

16270 Hillsbriar (3, 4)

28583 Leroy (2, 3, 4)

16267 Oaktree (2, 3, 4)

29231 Riveroak (2, 3, 4)

15414 Woodmont (1, 2, 3, 4)

15790 Woodmont (2)

Merriman Elementary Area

(Eureka Rd. to Pennsylvania Rd./

Middlebelt Rd. to Merriman Rd.)

16264 Brandt (1, 2, 3)

15433 Colbert (1, 2, 3, 4)

15436 Oakbrook (1, 2, 3, 4)

30490 Pennsylvania (1, 2, 3, 4)

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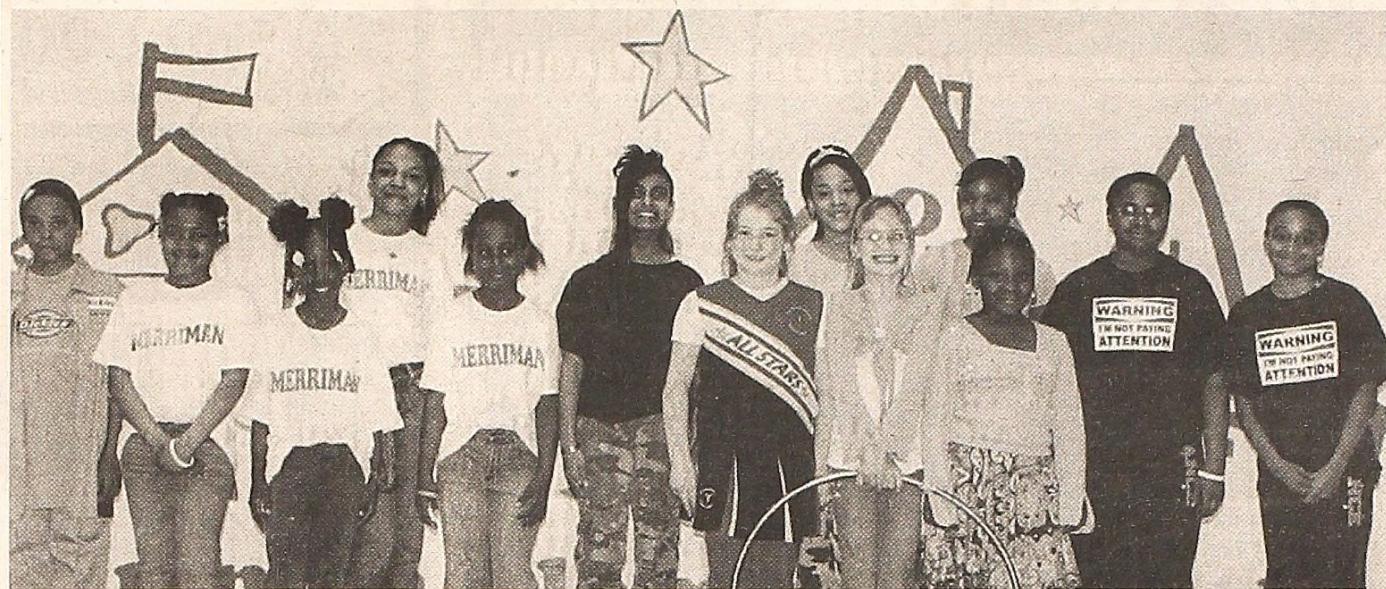
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Boys & Girls Club Talent Show Features Star Performances



Among the Merriman Elementary "Super Stars" who performed in the Boys & Girls Club Talent Show were: (from left) front – Terron Williams, Diamond Turner, Nakia Morgan, Taylor Baker, Rabia Sheikh, Amanda Segur, Ashley Luttman, Marquala Woodward, Brittany Pettway, and Brandy Pettway; back – Malaysia Hayes, Zakeesha Foster, and Brianna Clausell.

Merriman Elementary Celebrates "Reading Olympics"



Merriman Elementary students, parents, and teachers who celebrated the school's "Reading Olympics" included: (from left) front – Alexis Smith, Aliah Smith, Jacob Segur, Marquese Williams, Yvette Austin (fifth-grade teacher), Pat McCollum (physical-education teacher), and Tiffany Markovich ("Reading First" literary coach); back – Ryan Newland (student teacher), Atrolya Smith, Jennifer Segur, Donna Williams, Kelly Upchurch, Ruthanne Lhiva (sixth-grade teacher), and Simona Miller (sixth-grade teacher).

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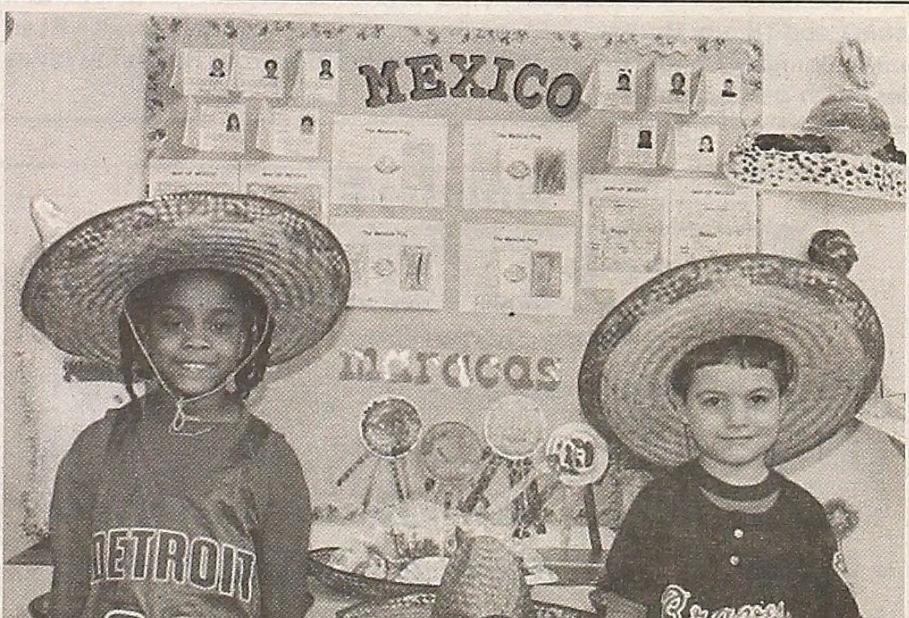
Multicultural Night



Barth Elementary's recent Multicultural Night featured fourth-graders (from left) Perle Gonzales, Savannah Leininger, Olivia Hammonds, Lexis Kersey, Sadie Lelekatch, Madison Tyree, Alexa Snyder, Rachel LaPorte, Madeline Satterlee, Ebony Davis, Brittany Gilmore, and Sidney Morris playing "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" on song flutes while other students sang along in Chinese.



Students who checked out the "Brazilian rain forest" in the fifth-/sixth-grade wing included (from left) Jordan Frayer, Elexus Fizer, Heather Dotson, Richard Henderson, and Rosylin Lovelady.



Donning sombreros in front of the Mexico exhibit in the first-/second-grade wing were Keiya Newell (left) and Jacob Britt.

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Multicultural Night



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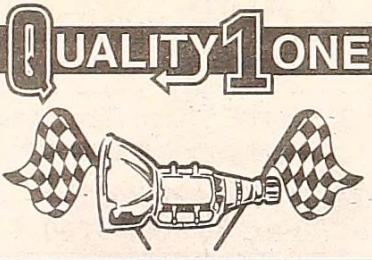
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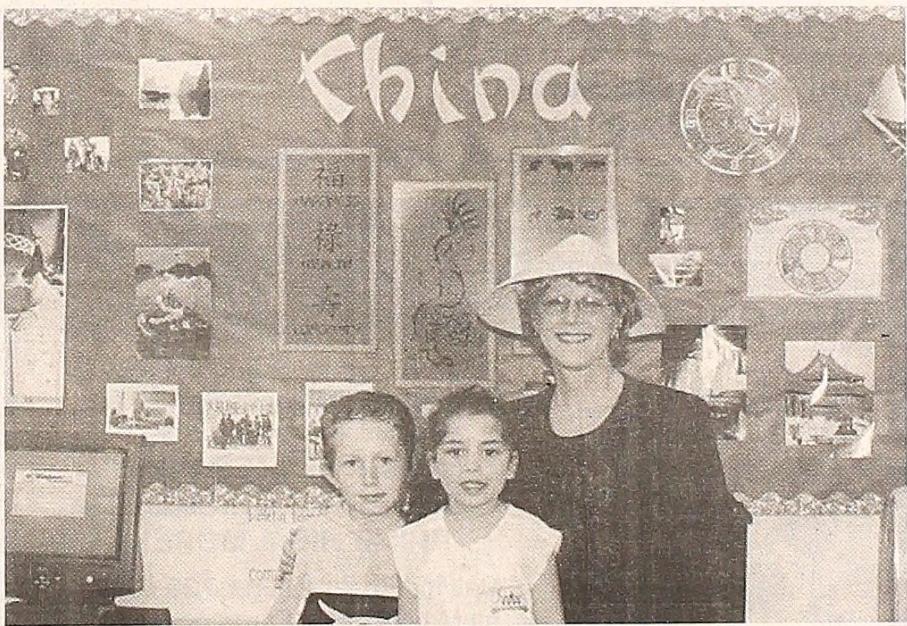
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Kindergarten teacher Marilyn Wood (right) – recently named "Elementary Teacher of the Year" by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency – discussed her room's China exhibit with third-grader Gary Curlee (left) and kindergartner Marissa Holmun.

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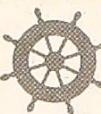
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School District Seeks Public Input on New Wellness Policy

On April 24, the Romulus Community Schools Policy Committee met to discuss a new "Wellness Policy" that, according to the Michigan Board of Education, must be established by July 1.

A draft of the policy, authored by the district's Healthy Living Advisory Committee, has been presented to the Policy Committee, and will be the subject of public discussion and probable revision before its final adoption.

Pat McCollum, HLAC chairperson, is urging parents, students, and district staff members to read the policy and voice their opinions. □

"We were given a mandate from the State to write a policy that addresses student wellness and the growing problem of childhood obesity," she explained. "In order for us to do this most effectively, we need more people to become involved in the decision-making process – especially students, whom this policy will *most* affect."

The next two meetings of the Healthy Living Advisory Committee will be held in the Romulus Adolescent Health Center (located in Romulus High School) at 4 p.m. on May 16 and June 6. Call McCollum (734-532-1435) for more info. □

Romulus Community Schools Wellness Policy (Draft)

Wellness Policy

Romulus Community Schools is committed to creating a healthy school environment that enhances the development of lifelong wellness practices to promote healthy eating and physical activities that support student achievement. Superintendent designees and the Healthy Living Advisory Committee will monitor progress on the wellness goals.

Goal #1: Nutrition Standards

The district will offer school meal programs with menus that meet meal patterns and nutrition standards established by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Suggested activities:

- (a) Recommend that snack vendors provide predominantly healthy food and beverage choices that comply with this policy's purpose.

- (b) Encourage the use of non-food items as a reward in the classroom setting.

- (c) The elementary schools will encourage the use of healthy snacks and non-food treats for classroom birthday or award celebrations.

- (d) Encourage healthy fund-raisers as alternatives to fund-raising that involves selling food items of limited nutritional value, such as candy, chips, and soda.

Goal #2: Nutrition Education

Nutrition education will continue to be addressed within appropriate curriculum areas and based on state benchmarks.

Suggested activities:

- (a) Include nutrition education "tips" on school menus.

- (b) Encourage staff to serve as role models for healthy eating.

- (c) Post nutritional breakdowns on foods offered.

- (d) Provide educational materi-

als in the cafeteria that promote good nutrition, such as the new food pyramid, bulletin boards, and posters.

Goal #3: Physical Education and Physical Activity Opportunities

Developmentally appropriate physical education and opportunities for physical activity will continue to be addressed within appropriate curriculum areas and based on state benchmarks.

Suggested activities:

- (a) Have elementary schools schedule recess before lunch so that children will come to lunch less distracted and ready to eat.

- (b) Encourage the use of pedometers amongst students and staff.

- (c) Develop a walking club at lunch or before or after school.

- (d) Create a wellness newsletter for staff.

- (e) Provide opportunities for staff to participate in activities designed to improve their health and well-being.

Goal #4: Community Involvement

Romulus Community Schools will actively promote wellness experiences for all members of the community, primarily through its Community Education Department.

Suggested activities:

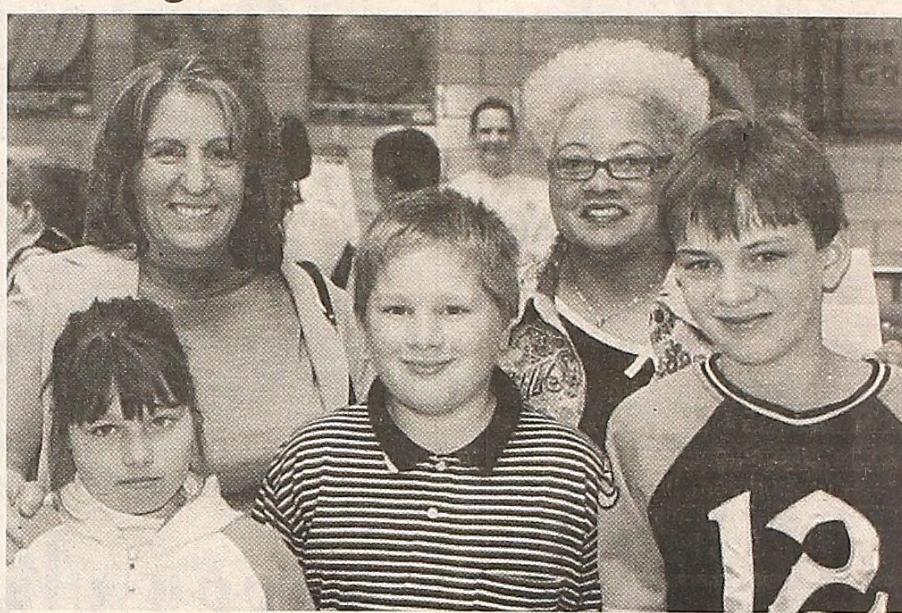
- (a) Encourage discussion of health and nutrition at staff meetings.

- (b) Host a Health Fair at the high-school level.

- (c) Publish a newsletter article in the local paper to inform the community of the activities of the district's Healthy Living Advisory Committee to improve the health and well-being of the students.

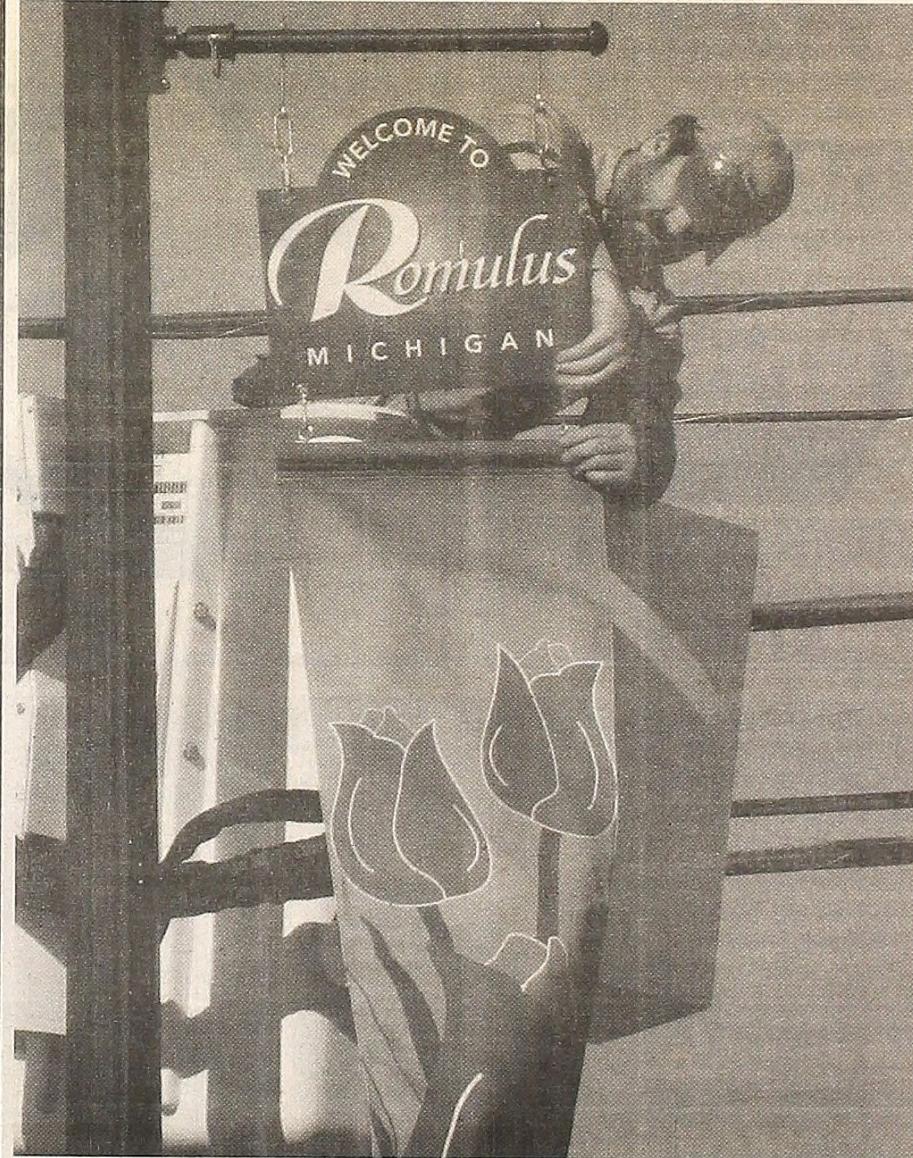
- (d) Have the physical-education teachers write an article in the parent newsletter about special events (Jump Rope for Heart, Walking for Diabetes, etc.). □

Sixth-graders Attend RMS Orientation



Romulus Middle School principal Phyllis Adkins (back, right) recently welcomed Halecreek Elementary principal Kellie Knight (back, left) and sixth-graders like (front, from left) Nicole McFalda, Kyle Morgan, and Darrin Tyler to an orientation program at her school. District sixth-graders take part in such orientations to make the transition from elementary school to middle school as smooth as possible.

City Banners Mark Start of Spring

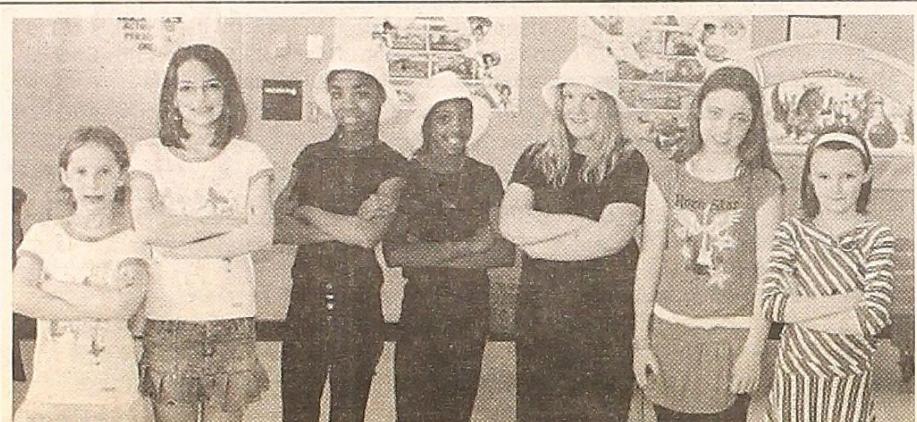


It's official – spring is in the air! – now that Romulus Department of Public Works employees like Craig Plank have been busy hanging colorful season banners from City light poles.

Talent Show at HES



Participants in the Halecreek Elementary Talent Show included (from left) Selena Harris, Kaitlyn McCartney, Alexis Swanson, Donte Borom, Savannah Stobbe, Chelsea McCoy, John Thomas, and Darrin Crossley.



Additional Talent Show participants were (from left) Kate Orr, Danielle Arrington, Denise Henry, Alexis Dillard, Carly Paul, Autumn Thompson, and Tiffany Taylor.

Bike Show Teaches Important Lessons on Health, Safety



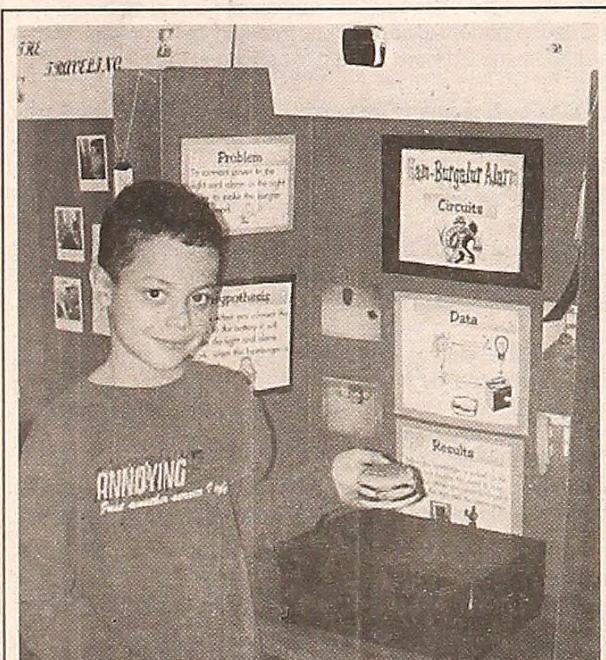
Tom Rokosz, owner of High Action Bikes, gave a dazzling presentation for Barth Elementary students during a recent school assembly.

Students at Barth Elementary were both enthralled and educated by a recent show presented by the nationally acclaimed stunt team, High Action Bikes. The team, under the direction of owner Tom Rokosz, teaches young people about the importance of wearing a bicycle helmet, following the rules of the road, and properly maintaining a bicycle, as well as resisting drugs and peer pressure.

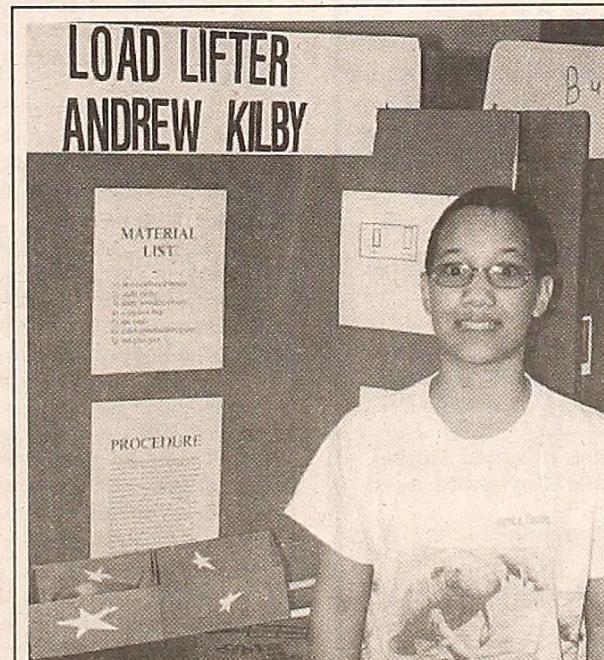
"Rokosz has been performing bike-

safety, drug-awareness, and anti-tobacco programs for schools nationwide since 1991," said Romulus Community Schools spokesperson Dick Kruse. "He and his team of highly skilled, drug-free BMX athletes grab the students' attention by spinning, gliding, rolling, and jumping through the air, then use that attention to deliver their message. They let kids know that the keys to success are hard work, dedication, and leading a drug-free life."

Cory Science Fair



Fourth-grader Marcus Madison got an "A" on his "Ham-Burgalur Alarm" at the Science Fair.



Fourth-grader Andrew Kilby's "Load Lifter" exhibit also earned an "A".



Yet another "A" entry was fourth-grader Kayla Bryk's "Handmade Guitar."

Prom, Graduation Dates Announced

Douglas Hoffman, assistant principal at Romulus High School, has compiled the following list of special events to update graduating seniors and their parents.

- **Senior All-night Party**
(Friday, May 12, with lock-in from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.; RHS fieldhouse);
- **Senior Final Exams**
(Thursday, June 1, during 4th, 5th, and 6th hours; seniors attend from 10:59 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.)
- **Senior Final Exams**
(Friday, June 2, during 1st, 2nd, and 3rd hours; seniors attend from 7:31 a.m. to 10:54 a.m.)
- **Prom Toast**
(Wednesday, June 7, from 6 to 7 p.m.; RHS atrium);
- **Senior Prom**
(Wednesday, June 7, from 7:30 p.m. to midnight; Dearborn Inn);

- **Senior Brunch (seniors only)**
(Friday, June 9, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Doubletree Hotel);

- **Commencement**
(Saturday, June 10, from 10 a.m. sharp to 11 a.m.; RHS fieldhouse).

Hoffman asks parents to note that admission to commencement will be by *ticket only*. Tickets will be distributed to seniors during graduation rehearsal. All guests attending commencement are to be seated *no later than 9:30 a.m.* Late arrivals will not be seated when it is disruptive to the quality of the ceremony.

A professional photographer will be taking pictures of each graduate, and the ceremony will be videotaped. Both photos and tapes will be available for purchase.

Questions may be directed to Hoffman at 734-532-1017. □

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ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 3, 2006

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, April 3, 2006, was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President April Frayer.

Roll call showed members Frayer, Celeste Roscoe, Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Niema White, Betty Lenossi, Cheryle Buckley, and Thomas Kuderik present. Administrators present were: Joel R. Carr, Superintendent; Ed Clark, Director of Human Resources; and Sherri Papazoglou, Director of Business and Operations.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Frayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

4/06/1 Moved by Lenossi, supported by White, to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

4/06/2 Moved by Buckley, supported by Lenossi, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 27, 2006; the Special Meeting of March 29, 2006; and the Special Meeting of March 30, 2006, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

There were no personnel actions.

Bills for Payment

4/06/3 Moved by White, supported by Kuderik, to approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mrs. Sherri Papazoglou, Director of Business and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Presentation – Mark Woodson, Director of Athletics

Mr. Mark Woodson, Director of Athletics, appeared before the Board of Education along with district coaches and athletes with grade point averages of 3.0 and above. Mr. Woodson outlined the goals and objectives of the athletic program, and introduced coaches and students.

Cafeteria Award and Purchase of Cafeteria Truck

4/06/4 Moved by Buckley, supported by Kuderik, that the Board of Education approve the purchase of the above vehicle at a cost not to exceed \$42,000.00. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Field Trip – Cedar Point – Halecreek Elementary

4/06/5 Moved by White, supported by Buckley, to approve the field trip to Cedar Point Amusement Park, Sandusky, Ohio, on Saturday, June 3, 2006, for Halecreek Elementary School Safety Patrol and Student Council members at no cost to the district. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

There were no communications from the public.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, informed the Board of Education that Community High School has been named the State Alternative School of the Year for 2005/2006.

QUESTIONS AND/OR CONCERNS OF BOARD MEMBERS:

Mrs. Cheryle Buckley asked about the status of the concession stand at the High School, and was informed by Superintendent Carr that repairs had been made. Mrs. Buckley also reminded the Board about the Ed Horn Benefit to be held at the High School on April 4, 2006.

Mrs. Celeste Roscoe congratulated Merriman Elementary students for their appearance on "Shout Out" on Channel 7's early-morning newscast.

Mrs. April Frayer stated that the Board of Education and committee members would be making visitations to superintendent finalists.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

4/06/6 Moved by Mientkiewicz, supported by Kuderik, that the Board of Education convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of personnel. Roll call vote: Buckley, Kuderik, Lenossi, White, Mientkiewicz, Roscoe, and Frayer. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 7:04 p.m.

4/06/7 Moved by Buckley, supported by Kuderik, that the Board of Education reconvene in Regular Session. Roll call vote: Buckley, Kuderik, Lenossi, White, Mientkiewicz, Roscoe, and Frayer. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 8:07 p.m.

4/06/8 Moved by Kuderik, supported by Roscoe, that the Board of Education schedule visitations of superintendent candidates for April 27, 2006, at 8:00 a.m. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

4/06/9 Moved by White, supported by Buckley, that the Meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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SPECIAL MEETING, APRIL 20, 2006

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Thursday, April 20, 2006, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President April Frayer.

Roll call showed members Frayer, Celeste Roscoe, Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Niema White, Betty Lenossi, Cheryle Buckley, and Thomas Kuderik present. Mr. Pete Silveri of the Michigan Association of School Boards was also in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Frayer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

4/06/10 Moved by Buckley, supported by Lenossi, to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL:

4/06/11 Moved by Mientkiewicz, supported by Roscoe, to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of personnel. Roll call vote: Buckley, Kuderik, Lenossi, White, Roscoe, Frayer, and Mientkiewicz. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 6:02 p.m.

4/06/12 Moved by White, supported by Buckley, to reconvene in Regular Session. Roll call vote: Buckley, Kuderik, Lenossi, White, Roscoe, Frayer, and Mientkiewicz. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

4/06/13 Moved by White, supported by Roscoe, that the Meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Romulus Students Honored for Academics and Attendance

Congratulations to the following Romulus Community Schools students, whose hard work and dedication earned them recognition for superior academics and/or attendance during the third marking period of the 2005–2006 school year.

Barth Elementary

ALL A's

Third–Sixth Grades – Mr. Legg

Emmanuel Boykins-Harris, Cody Fowler, Libert Gregory, and Kyle Rydzeski.

Third Grade – Mrs. Shattuck

Jamesha Kirkland, Zachary Kouba, and Miranda Moffat.

Third Grade – Mrs. Wadsworth

Kayla Brooks and Jessica Dunn.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Gursky

Savannah Leininger, Sidney Morris, and Madison Tyree.

Fourth Grade – Mr. Jastrzab

Kyle Brown, Rachel LaPorte, Alexa Snyder, and Krista Wilkewitz.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Bono

Brittany Braxton and Kevin Krampitz.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Smith

Danielle Herbert and Joshua Thorsbury.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Blackburn

Travis Bergman, Derrian Cooley, and Chantel Roberts.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Siegenthaler

Savannah Moffat.

HONORS

Third–Sixth Grades – Mr. Legg

Justin Anderson, Robert Brown, Jimel Jackson, Michael Kerr, and Marcell Ward.

Third Grade – Mrs. Shattuck

Andrea Bagley, Emily Burcroff, Matthew Caden, Deanna Heard, Anastasia Helton, Elizabeth Krampitz, Adrian Maloy, Antoinio Mascorro, Alexis Paige, Paige Randall, Ahlyah Reed, Jack VanAssche, and Chase Vondrak.

Third Grade – Mrs. Wadsworth

Rayshon Akins, Katie Bortz, Chance Bright, Sierra Coleman, Beverly Lewis, Shanella McCaa, Elisabeth Mullins, Anthony Redmond, Connor Ruschel, Shaira Thomas, Devon Wade, and Destiny Westley.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Gursky

Austin Hampton, Kaitlyn Keys, Ben Mach, and Jeremy Zabik.

Fourth Grade – Mr. Jastrzab

Nick Banko, Nick Bevins, Tesa Hines, Hunter Mason, Madeline Satterlee, Katie Wegryn, and Shianne Wendland.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Bono

David Bush, Latasha Jenkins, Alicia Long, Danielle Lorgeske, Everett Millsbaugh, Bradley Nairemore, Alexandria Perez, Alicia Russell, Shayla Thomas, Brandon Walker, and Zachary Yax.

Fifth Grade – Mr. Smith

Robert Estes, Jeremy Frayer, Caitlyn Hay, Steven Honeycutt, Alexis Jones, Kevin Littler, Alexandria Moore, Lekalvin Nathaniel, and Andre Temple-Young.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Blackburn

Jeane Elam, Briyonne Holt, Christopher Householder, Taylor Kuss, Travis LaPorte, Brandon Mahon, Michael McPherson, Kayte Nickel, and Devin Reed.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Siegenthaler

Michael Cadden, Jessica Dawson, Elexus Fizer, Holly Hammond, Dayna Heard, Rosie Lovelady, Sherrod Mack, Miranda Sapp, Alexis Stevenson, Kelsey Sudol, Jimmy VanAssche, and Johnny Watts.

Cory Elementary

ALL A's

Third–Sixth Grades – Mrs. Watkins

Joshua Bearden and Mark Hughes.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Pluff

Kelee Barbara, Briana Bohannon, Misty Briscoe, Kayla Bryk, Denver Hojnowski, and Gabrielle Miller.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Roberts

Megan Davis, Chad Fick, Sierra Scott, and Kimberly Stone.

Fifth–Sixth Grades – Mr. Grange

Jordan Council and NaKeya Pinkston.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Commander

Steven Pratt and Azia Riley.

HONORS

Third–Sixth Grades – Mrs. Watkins

Noelle Berthiaume, Taviyona Christian, John Ellis, LaShay Garrett, Aaron Landfair, Alan Leppen, and Madison Small.

Third Grade – Mrs. Hartley

David Bland, Vaughn Crews, Terisha Enos, Toni Johnson, and Alexiah Mullins.

Third Grade – Mrs. James

Bianca Bellinger, Anthony Bowers, Cheyana Carney, Deirdre Carter, Kevin Crawford, Kyle Hensley, and Quandral Thompson.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Pluff

JaQuan Bailey, Cameron Barnes, Ashleigh Bennett, Atae'ja Crawford, Edward Hillard, Jake Lazenby, Gary Logerstedt, Marcus Madison, Joseph Mobley, Courtnie Riley, DeAnté Ross-Springer, Pugg'Jea Warren, and Jack Wise.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Roberts

Denford Briscoe, Todd Graham, Briana Harrison, Ryan Henich, Alexis Jackson, Joseph Marsh, James Mobley, Gregory Tanner, and Caniya Wilson.

Fifth–Sixth Grades – Mr. Grange

Cheyenne Chapman, Darnell Fields, Leticia Gittens, Macee Logerstedt, Kanisha Wallen, and Neelege Watson.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Commander

Andrianna Barden, Daryl Bland, Devon Hearst, Danyelle Matthews, Emily Toby, and Corey Wilson.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

First Grade – Mrs. Harris

Miyona Barden-Clark, Gabrielle Dancy, Brian Davis, Harden James, Kia Lambert, Olivia Lanier, Brian Pope, Jerome Thompson, Zachary Ward, Cayla Williams, and Sajel Young.

First Grade – Mrs. Simmons

Ayanna Bell, Clayton Carter, Asia Jackson, and Sharell Searcy.

Second Grade – Mrs. Askew

Kyle Fick, Phillip Johnson, and Alexis Paisley.

Third Grade – Mrs. Hartley

Shayla Brown and Kaylan Carter.

Third–Sixth Grades – Mrs. Watkins

Mark Hughes and Madison Small.

Fourth Grade – Mrs. Pluff

Cameron Barnes, Briana Bohannon, Gary Logerstedt, Gabrielle Miller, Courtney Riley, and De'Anté Ross-Springer.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Roberts

Kimberly Stone.

Fifth–Sixth Grades – Mr. Grange

Jordan Council, Darnell Fields, Leticia Gittens, Ashley Perry, NaKeya Pinkston, and Neelege Watson.

Sixth Grade – Mr. Commander

Chelsea Barlow, Jacob Carter, Devon Hearst, and Alec Madison.

Halecreek Elementary

HONORS

Fifth Grade – Mrs. Friebel

Alesha Bailey, Danielle Blanc, Alexis Dillard, Rochelle Germann, Malik Golston, Rita Harris, Denise Henry, Brandon Kosikowski, Asia Lucky-Whitlow, and Jacob Reynolds.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Hirchert

Laina Barnes, Billy Bonam, Jasmine Brewer, Jeffrey Brown, Mark Diebel, DaRon Gordan, Kamran Haq, Johnny Maybin, Alisha Menser, Brooke Nierman, Cory Shults, Charles Taylor, Johanna Torres, Kayla Watkins, and Briyanna Williams.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Parent

Tyler Atkinson.

Merriman Elementary

ALL A's

Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Jessica Keoshian.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Lhiva

Joshlyn Booth.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Miller

Cierra Toliver.

HIGH HONORS

Fourth Grade – Ms. Sneath

Riana Scott.

Fourth–Fifth Grades – Mrs. Misiak

Timothy Booth and Janette Gula.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Austin

Jordan Genigeski and Rabia Sheikh.

HONORS

Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Tamia Gamble, Amanda Segur, Diamond Turner, and Marquala Woodward.

Fourth Grade – Ms. Sneath

Kierstyn Burns, Matthew Freeman, Andrew Gula, Malaysia Hayes, and Sh'Tia McGlory.

Fourth–Fifth Grades – Mrs. Misiak

Demonte Brown, Chelsea Drouillard, Brelyn Meeks, Kayla Menser, Nakia Morgan, Dominic Pena, David Shaft, Michael St. Jacques, Rehman Sheikh, Shanya Sturdvant, Courtney Thompson, and Drew Wilkerson.

Fifth Grade – Ms. Austin

Ariel Langua, Ivonne Lewis, Ashley Robinson, and Allah Smith.

Sixth Grade – Ms. Lhiva

Chance Armstrong, Jason Cooke-Thomason, Nathan Wilkerson, Marquese Williams, and Jennifer Workman.

Sixth Grade – Mrs. Miller

Nichelle Baker, Sarena Dillon, Jennifer Lukas, Dominique Robinson, Jacob Segur, Alexis Smith, and Courtney Thomas.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

Second Grade – Ms. Doane

Taylor Baker, Morgan Cooke-Thomason, La'Nique Dawson, Aubrey Dillon, Leah Morgan, Zaire Nelson, Keilon Pope, Dimetrius Reed, Erasmo Sanchez, and Johnny Toliver.

Second Grade – Ms. Prisco

Angelo Contesso, Basil Dallas, George Gillespie, Kelsea Green, Brandy Howard, Dennis Johnson, Donovan Parks, Alexandria Turner, and Kelsey Ward.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

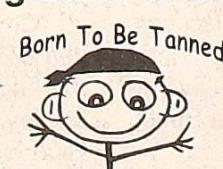
Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Juwon Bearden, Amanda Segur, Diamond Turner, and Marquala Woodward.

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Fourth Grade - Ms. Sneath

Nickolas Bovitz, Kierstyn Burns, Malik Carter, Tariq Hadin, Malaysia Hayes, Deshawn Pickett, Keyshawn Pope, Chandler Smith, and Demarco Woodward.

Fourth-Fifth Grades - Mrs. Misiak

Janette Gula and Kayla Menser.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Austin

Andre Brown, Jessica Dockery, Za-Kesha Foster, Ariel Lanqua, and Ashley Robinson.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Lhiva

Amy Best, Eric Trout, Nathan Wilkerson, Frank Williams, and Marquese Williams.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Miller

Cinque Bearden, Arron Clausell, Sarena Dillon, and Cierra Toliver.

Romulus Elementary

HIGH HONORS

Fourth Grade

Kayla Tucker.

Fifth Grade

Heather Nefsey.

Sixth Grade

Tiffany Brown, Janaelle Carter, Latoya Colvin, Eddie Hitchings, Michelle Kincer, Amanda Linnert, and Adrianna Richey.

HONORS

Third Grade

Ke-Airra Baker, Zenas Dill, Janel Eiland, Victoria Fields, DeQuine Gabook, Corey Hicks, Rayne Jackson, Darius Jackson, Coree Killen, Dakota Kozik, Brianna Moore, Celeste Moore, Sha'Ron O'Bryant, Kaitlin Price, Megan Swangim, Michaela Williams, Diana Valencia, Jessica Williams, Kiana Williams, Damore, and Timothy Young.

Fourth Grade

Kasey Burgess, Alena Dente Elliot, Jurgen Hoxha, Kuczynski.

Fifth Grade

Morgan Anderson, Albert Bacheller, Porscha Brantley, Kyle Denham, Jamarl Eiland, Jordan Girardin, Kayla Jackson, Lauren Kelsaw, Darrinsha Lox, Kenneth Pritchett, Tajah Riley, Rachel Soard, Zachery Sperry, Jalen Stuart, Dominique Whitlow, and Keith Zavitz.

Sixth Grade

Jessica Brown, Keyoni Collins, Delilah Ferris, Arthur Gibson, Daria Jackson, Aaron Kuhn, Malcolm Lewis, Victor Mangham, Steven Nemeth, Ashley Patton, Trevor Redmond, Chelsea Smith, and Jonathon Wilson.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten

Akacia Chaney, Jeremiah Davis, and Rebecca Valentik.

First Grade

Breanna Anderson, Marcus Askew, Jacob Davis, David Ford, Nasya Franklin, Davion Frowner, Gabrielle Hall,

Cheyenne Harris, Zakiya Hatten, Devin Hicks, Eden Jemison, Levi Lane, Tyler Roehrich, and Deasia Swilley.

Second Grade

Mary Ajah, Madison Alexander, Elie Anderson, Takiya Chaney, Alexus Coleman, Cody Damron, Jesse Dennis, Darius Ellis, Jason Ford, Jesse Hawkins, Jacob Johnson, Shane Moore, and Ella Warren.

Third Grade

DeJuan Davis, Janel Eiland, DeQuante Haugabook, Rayne Hollifield, Dakota Kozik, Sarah Kuczynski, Destannie Morris, Ledell O'Bryant, Tenille Riley, Bradley Swistara, Diana Valencia, Tokiyah Wallace, Jordan Williams, and Damiah Woodmore.

Fourth Grade

Dionshay Baker, Kasey Burgess, Alena Collison, Delvon Crawford, Donte Elliott, Jurgen Hoxha, Kaelon Knight, Stacy Kuczynski, Devain Newbill, and Javonna Williams.

Fifth Grade

Morgan Anderson, Albert Bacheller, Diondre Baker, Porscha Brantley, Kyle Denham, Markus Dennis, Capri Dover, Briana Dye, Jamarl Eiland, Kayla Jackson, Jordan McGraw, Cha'veonne Mitchell, Heather Nefsey, Tajah Riley, and Keith Zavitz.

Sixth Grade

Jessica Brown, Tiffany Brown, Latoya Colvin, Nadya Ellis, Arthur Gibson, Tenario Golden, Amber Griffin, Devin Groh, Demechri Hadden, Chavez Hare, Jessika Kennedy, Malcolm Lewis, Joseph Luckett, Victor Mangham, Martanesha Mitchell, Steven Nemeth, Trevor Redmond, Averianna Richey, Tommy Riley, Zaakirah Roper, William Schermerhorn, Chelsea Smith, and Jalesa Walker.

Romulus Middle School

ALL A's

Seventh Grade

Loren Adams, Aprell Arthur, Cierra Baxter, Keli Boyd, Diamond Dortch, Briana Glenn, Misha Hudson, Hailie Laginess, Kelly McGlynn, Sarah Orr, Carman Plank, Monae Riley, Malita Rutherford, Nan Sheikh, Jonathan Stone, and Jennifer Sylvester.

Eighth Grade

Ashley Bush, Jeremy Council, Victoria Mangham, Ashley Wagle, and Sheila Watts.

HONORS

Seventh Grade

Christopher Adams, Bilal Ali, Chelsea Allen, Gabrielle Anderson, Stephanie Andrew, Diamond Austin, Rachael Bagley, Haleigh Baval, Miracle Baynes, Rion Bell, Angelique Blackmon, Luke Blum, Christopher Bossidis, Brieanna Boyd, Christopher Britz, Jasmine Brown, Natalia Brown, Britani Bush, Katelynn Buyer, Dai'Janae Byers, Jade Campbell, Alexander Carter, Amber Considine, Kyra Crawford, Valeri Crawford, Ashley Cribbs, Ivory Cross, Angela Crossley, Zachary Curry, Shanel Davis, Spencer Defelice,

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Community Calendar

- **"Second Monday" Book Club** – Meetings of the Romulus Public Library's new Second Monday Book Club – open to everyone 18 and older – are held at the Romulus Public Library (11121 Wayne Road, south of Goddard) from 7 to 8:15 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. Advance registration is not required; just read the suggested book, then drop in. Copies of the suggested books will be available at the library, or library staff members can assist you in getting an interlibrary loan. Books planned for upcoming discussions include: *Beautiful Jim Key* (nonfiction) by Mim Eichler Rivas (May 8) and *Chocolat* (fiction) by Joanne Harris. For info, call 734-942-7589.
- **American Progressive Association Seeks New Members** – The American Progressive Association – one of the oldest nonprofit/community organizations in Romulus – meets at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month (next meeting: May 9) at the Thomas J. Coleman Community Center (35351 Beverly Road). Annual dues are \$25 per year. New faces welcome.
- **Chamber Luncheon Will Feature Guest Speaker Ficano** – Wayne County Executive Robert A. Ficano will be the guest speaker at the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce's next business luncheon, to be held at noon on Tuesday, May 16, at the DoubleTree Hotel (31500 Wick Road, Romulus). Installation of the Chamber's newly elected officers is also planned. Tickets (\$13 for members; \$15 for nonmembers) must be purchased in advance. Call 734-326-4290 or e-mail (info@romuluschamber.org).
- **Rummage Sale at CUMC** – Community United Methodist Church (located at the northwest corner of Olive and Bibbins in downtown Romulus) will host a Rummage Sale fund-raiser on Thursday, May 18 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Friday, May 19 (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.), and Saturday, May 20 (9 a.m. to noon), in conjunction with the Citywide Yard Sale. For more info, call 734-941-0736.
- **Historical Society Hosts Annual Flea Market** – The Romulus Historical Society's annual Flea Market – to be held in Romulus Historical Park (on Hunt Street, next to the post office) – is set for Saturday, June 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food and refreshments will be available. Vendor spaces (\$15; must provide own table) are still available. Call Gloria (734-941-2678).
- **Chamber Hosts Golf Outing** – The Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Golf Outing fund-raiser on Thursday, August 24, at the Woodlands of Van Buren Golf Course (39670 Ecorse Road, Wayne). Registration will begin at 10 a.m., followed by a continental breakfast and practice-range session; shotgun start time is 11 a.m. A banquet/awards program (4 p.m.) will conclude the event at 4 p.m. Prize categories will include Hole-in-One and Closest-to-Pin; door prizes and raffles will also be featured. Cost is \$120 per player. For more information, call Karen La Belle at the Chamber (734-326-4290) or David Goodwin (734-287-2400).
- **GriefShare** – GriefShare recovery seminar and support group meets at the Romulus Wesleyan Church (37300 Goddard, at Huron River Drive) each Sunday at 9 a.m. and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. According to seminar facilitator Barbara Schultz, GriefShare meetings feature nationally recognized experts on grief and recovery topics. For more information, call the Romulus Wesleyan Church at 734-941-1511.
- **Nursery Accepting Applications** – Huron Countryside Co-op Nursery – a nonprofit, nondiscriminatory organization – is still accepting registrations to fill its few remaining openings for the 2006–2007 preschool program. The program (open to ages 30 months to 5 years) features a curriculum that focuses on social development and kindergarten readiness. HCCN is located inside St. Paul's Lutheran Church (19109 Craig Street, New Boston). For more information, call Shelly at 734-992-2036.
- **Romulus Head Start Accepting Registrations** – The Romulus Head Start program is currently accepting registrations for the 2006–2007 school year. To register his/her child, a parent/guardian must provide the following information: the child's birth certificate and immunization records, Social Security cards for both the parent and the child, family income verification (W2, 1040, FIA breakdown, etc.), the child's health insurance card, and proof of residency. Registrations may be made at the Burton Center (35408 Beverly Road) any weekday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Please allow 60 to 90 minutes to complete all the necessary forms. For info, call 734-532-1900.

To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar,
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FAX it to us at 734-992-2052; or call 734-941-1907

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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, senior citizens program coordinator for the City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (For more information about events at the new Romulus Senior Center, which is located at 36525 Bibbins, please call 734-955-4120.)

Senior Center Needs Your Help!

In pursuit of their goal to make the Romulus Senior Center the best around, programs coordinator Linda Norman and her staff are looking for suggestions for adding to or improving the programs now offered. Stop in and drop your suggestions into the box at the reception desk, or call and speak to a staff member.

"Remember," says Norman, "this center is yours; help us make it a place you want to be."

Party Will Kick Off Summer

Cool jazz performed by the Romulus High School Jazz Band won't keep the fun from heating up at the Senior Center's Kickin' Off Summer party, set for Wednesday, May 24, at 12 p.m. Cost for the event—which will feature a menu of pizza, popcorn, and frozen drinks—is \$2.50 per person. Sign up at the Center.

Matinee Movie

The Romulus Senior Center will show a movie appropriate for all ages on Saturday, May 13, at 1 p.m. Refreshments will be available at reasonable prices. Bring the whole family!

Culinary Club Now Forming

The Romulus Senior Center is looking for individuals interested in forming a Culinary Club that would feature trips to restaurants, recipe contests, and luncheons at the Center. Anyone who would like to join such a club is asked to contact the Center and express his/her interest.

Senior Pool Competition

Put your pool-playing skills to the test on Friday, May 26, when the Romulus Senior Center will host a Senior Pool Tournament beginning at 1 p.m. (Sign in at 12:30 p.m.) Center personnel will do their best to match up contestants based on level of ability.

Light refreshments will be served.

For more info, call the Center.

Shopping Trips

Romulus seniors can ride the Center's van, free of charge, for shopping at Wal-Mart and Farmer Jack (Monday, May 8, departing at 9:30 a.m.) and/or Kmart (Monday, May 15, departing at 9:30 a.m.). Seating is limited; advance registration is required.

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Special Trips

Special trips planned by the Romulus Senior Center include:

- **Hiawatha Slots & Point Edward Casino** (May 17)
- **Windsor Raceway and Slots** (May 31)
- **Turkeyville** (June 12)
- **Shipshewana Flea Market** (June 14)
- **Western Parks & Canyons** (June 20-27)
- **Windsor Raceway and Slots** (June 22)
- **Cherry Orchard Tour** (June 27)
- **Little River Casino and Soaring Eagle Casino** (July 5-6)
- **Windsor Raceway and Slots** (July 19)

For information on fees and/or registration, call the Center.

Sign Up for Senior Olympics

Seniors interested in participating in the annual Downriver Olympics should sign up soon, since the registration deadline is fast approaching. Competitive events include baking, euchre, pinochle, bridge, darts, horseshoes, ring toss, frisbee toss, football throw, softball throw, soccer kick, basketball shoot, shuffleboard, bocce ball, tennis, ping pong, golf, and swimming.

Call the Center for more info.

Regular Programs

Besides the many special activities offered at the Romulus Senior Center, a number of regularly scheduled free or low-cost programs include:

- Ceramics (Mondays, 12:30 p.m.),
- Bunco (Tuesdays, 1 p.m.),
- Bingo (Wednesdays, 1 p.m.),
- Fun Night (Wednesdays, 5 p.m.),
- Game Day (Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m.).

Help with Signing Up for Plan D

Linda Peak, case manager for the Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency, will be at the Romulus Senior Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month to assist senior citizens in signing up for Medicare Plan D. (Next date: May 24.)

Seniors planning to consult with Peak should bring their Social Security and Medicare cards, a list of medications, proof of income, and any paperwork they have received about Plan D or the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP).

Hot Lunches

The Romulus Senior Center serves a hot lunch at 11:30 a.m. each weekday for a donation of \$1.75.

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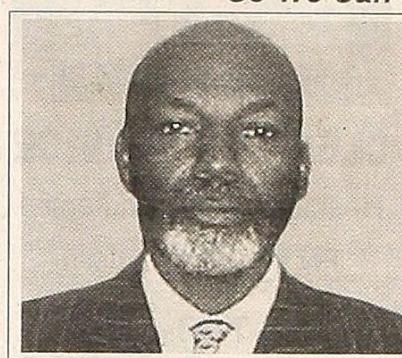
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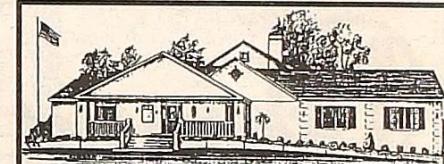
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ENGAGEMENT/WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

If you, or your parents, are residents of Romulus, *The Romulus News* will be happy to print an announcement of your engagement or wedding. If possible, please enclose a photograph. There is no charge. Just fill out the following information and mail to:

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 Groomsmen _____
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 City _____ State _____
 Name and phone number of person to contact (in case of questions): _____

Attach any additional information concerning the wedding or engagement to this form.

Soon To Wed**James Millwood and Lesley Dixon**

Best wishes to James Millwood and Lesley Dixon of Livonia, Michigan, who are planning to marry on Sunday, May 28, 2006.

The couple, who have been engaged since January, will exchange their vows at Hawthorne Valley Country Club (Westland).

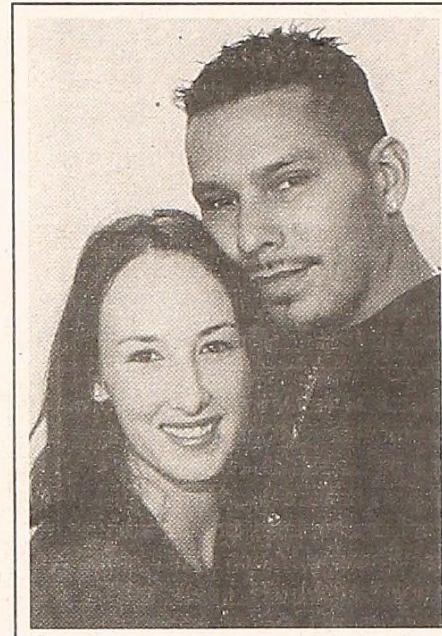
Standing up with James will be his best man, Jamin Hayden.

Lesley will be attended by bridesmaids Regina DeSanto and Savanah Millwood.

A reception, which will also be held at the Hawthorne Valley Country Club, will immediately follow the ceremony.

James is the son of James and Delma Millwood of Romulus, Michigan.

Lesley's parents are Dave and Anne Dixon of Garden City, Michigan, and Rick Snyder and Lisa Dixon of Livonia, Michigan. □



Lesley Dixon and James Millwood

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Obituary

Alfonse G. DeBuysscher

Alfonse G. DeBuysscher of Romulus, Michigan, passed away on Tuesday, April 18, 2006, at the age of 85.

The native of Detroit, Michigan, was born on Tuesday, December 28, 1920.

Alfonse – a U.S. Army veteran of World War II – retired from the General Motors Hydramatic Plant in 1984. A member of United Auto Workers Local #734 and a former member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9568 (Romulus), he enjoyed gardening, doing word-search puzzles, and playing cards.

Surviving Alfonse are 2 sons, Gerald J. "Jerry" (JoLynn) DeBuysscher (Belleview, MI) and Paul J. DeBuysscher (Romulus); a daughter, Virginia Silvey (Rom-

ulus); and six grandchildren.

Among those who predeceased him were his parents, Joseph G. and Maria C. (Moens) DeBuysscher; his wife, Marie C. (Roelens) DeBuysscher; and a sister, Mary C. DeBuysscher.

A funeral service was held on Friday, April 21, at St. Aloysius Catholic Church (Romulus), with Father Festus Ejimadu officiating. Burial was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to Crane Funeral Home (Romulus).

Memorial tributes to the American Cancer Society's "Relay For Life" would be greatly appreciated by the DeBuysscher family. □

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